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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

With respect to the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 22, 1999 , applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the previously supplied Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the references; for the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of that Form PTO-1449 is attached, as well as a copy of the IDS and PTO date-stamped filing receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby call to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the art listed on the attached List of References. All of this art is of record in the parent application; copies need not be submitted (see 37 CFR §1.98(d)). This list of art is being provided to ensure listing of this art on a patent to issue in this application in accordance with the following paragraph of MPEP 609:

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Applicants present this art so that the Patent and Trademark Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention; see <u>Beckman Instruments, Inc.</u>

<u>v. Chemtronics, Inc.</u>, 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir., 1970). Also see Patent Office Rules 104 and 106.

Applicants respectfully request that this art be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

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